

# Recommendation for Council Action (CLMD)

Austin City Council Item ID: 9437 Agenda Number 8.

Meeting Date: September 22, 2011

Department: Contract and Land Management

## Subject

Authorize execution of a construction contract with SMITH CONTRACTING CO., INC., Austin, Texas for the Shoal Creek – Ridgelea Bank Stabilization project in the amount of \$614,401 plus a \$61,440 contingency, for a total contract amount not to exceed \$675,841.

## Amount and Source of Funding

Funding in the amount of \$624,800 is available in the Fiscal Year 2010-2011 Capital Budget of the Watershed Protection Department. Funding in the amount of \$51,041 is available in the Fiscal Year 2010-2011 Capital Budget of the Austin Water Utility.

## Fiscal Note

#### A fiscal note is attached.

Purchasing Language:	Lowest bid of six bids received.
Prior Council	
Action:	_
For More	John Wepryk 974-7010; Glen Taffinder 974-3381; Jennifer Liu 703-6680; Susan Garnett 974-
Information:	7064; April Shaw 974-7141
Boards and	
Commission	Recommended by the Water & Wastewater Commission.
Action:	
	This contract will be awarded in compliance with Chapter 2-9A of the City Code (Minority
MBE / WBE:	Owned and Women Owned Business Enterprise Procurement Program) by meeting the goals
	with 8.82% MBE and 3.05% WBE subcontractor participation.
Related Items:	
Additional Backup Information	

This bank stabilization work was originally planned to be included in the upcoming Shoal Creek–Ridgelea Storm Drain Improvements project. In September 2010, flooding rains from Tropical Storm Hermine caused extensive erosion and damage. Consequently, the stream bank stabilization component was separated from the storm drain project in order to accelerate that portion of the work. The project is located within Shoal Creek east of Jefferson Street, generally bound by West 39th Street and Emilie Lane within zip code 78756.

This project includes approximately 510 linear feet of bank stabilization measures consisting of drilled piers, limestone rock wall, and stabilized earthen slopes along the west bank of Shoal Creek. The project also includes replacement of approximately 150 linear feet of existing exposed and deteriorated 6-inch and 8-inch wastewater lines. Concrete headwalls and associated erosion and sedimentation controls are also included.

Due to the potential for unknown and changing conditions in the creek bottom and the threat of additional erosion, a 10% contingency has been included to allow for the expeditious processing of any change orders. Because the creek channel changes with every storm event, conditions and quantities could differ from the construction documents. The contract allows 250 calendar days for completion of this project.

This project is located in zip code 78756.

This project is managed by the Public Works Department.